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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Michel Andre Bachmann
Application No.: 10/653,807 Confirmation No.: 4512
Filed : September 3, 2003
For : CLOSURE SYSTEM FOR SURGICAL RING
Group Art Unit : 3731
Examiner : Michael G. Mendoza

Box: Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

A two month extension of time in which to respond to the Office action dated July 13, 2005, is respectfully requested, thereby extending the time for response until December 13, 2005, inclusive. Authorization to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-2298 in an amount appropriate for a two month extension is enclosed herewith. Responsive to the aforementioned Office action, applicant makes the following remarks: